

REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 27, 2006. In the Office Action, claims 1, 4-6, 16 and 28-30 were allowed, claims 21 and 23 were rejected and claims 24-26 were objected, but would be considered allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicant appreciates the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter. With this Amendment, claims 21 and 23-26 are canceled.

On page two of the Office Action, claims 21 and 23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Brandt et al. (US Pat. No. 6,700,746). Claims 21 and 23-26 are canceled. Therefore, this rejection can be withdrawn. All pending claims 1, 4-6, 16 and 28-30 are in condition for allowance and issuance of such claims are respectfully requested.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to deposit account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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